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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PAUL EDWARD WESTMORELAND,)	Case No.: 1:24-cv-01049-GSA
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Plaintiff,)	STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR AN
)	EXTENSION OF TIME
vs.)	
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COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,)	
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Defendant.)	

Pending the Court's approval, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by and between the parties, through their respective counsel of record, that the time for Defendant to respond to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment be extended thirty (30) days from January 6, 2025, up to and including February 5, 2025. This is Defendant's first request for an extension.

Defendant requests this extension because counsel is currently in the process of determining whether a settlement agreement is possible in this case. Additional time is required for Defendant's undersigned counsel and specialized attorneys within the undersigned's office to consider this option. If the case cannot be settled, then Defendant's counsel will proceed with filing Defendant's response to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment by the new due date of February 5, 2025.

1 The parties further stipulate that the Court's Scheduling Order shall be modified
2 accordingly.

3 Respectfully submitted,

4 Dated: January 3, 2025

/s/ Francesco Benavides *
(*as authorized via e-mail on January 2, 2025)
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7 Dated: January 3, 2025

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16 **ORDER**

17 Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED that Defendant shall have an
18 extension, up to and including February 5, 2025, to respond to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary
19 Judgment.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: January 3, 2025

/s/ Gary S. Austin
23 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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